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## **VIA ELECTRONIC COMMENT FILING SYSTEM (ECFS)**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street SW Washington, D.C. 20554

Notice of Ex Parte Communication

Re: Acceleration of Broadband Deployment

WC Docket No. 11-59

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On June 19, 2013, the undersigned, along with Stephanie Crandall, Principal Associate, National League of Cities, and Yejin Jang, Associate Legislative Director, National Association of Counties, met to discuss the above-referenced proceeding with the following members of the FCC's Wireless Bureau: Don Johnson, Jeffrey Steinberg, Dan Abeyta, Mania Bagdadi, Maria Kirby, Michael Smith, and Saurbh Chhabra. At that time, we expressed our continuing appreciation for the manner in which the Bureau was handling this proceeding.

During the meeting, we discussed the potential Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("NRPM") arising out of the Notice of Inquiry ("NOI") in this proceeding and the concerns that local governments have as to any further restrictions or limitations on their rights of way authority. We expressed our desire to continue working with the Bureau on siting issues and to work cooperatively with industry to help ensure the efficient deployment of infrastructure facilities, while protecting the public rights of way. To this end, staff was updated on ongoing efforts with PCIA to draft best practices addressing wireless facilities siting issues, especially those arising from Section 6409 of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012. Member review and input has begun and we anticipate a final draft later this summer.

We discussed our efforts to continue informing our members on communications issues of importance through joint webinars, such as our recent program dealing with DAS and small cell deployment and thanked staff for their participation in these efforts.

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Sincerely, /s/Stephen Traylor Executive Director NATOA

cc: Don Johnson
Jeffrey Steinberg
Dan Abeyta
Mania Bagdadi
Maria Kirby
Michael Smith
Saurbh Chhabra
Stephanie Crandall